

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2346 without my signature.

Current law allows a child care facility in a State building to receive a rent discount if the facility shows a specific need for the discount. The Department of General Services (DGS) already has substantially discounted the rent for each child care facility located in State buildings to help ensure the viability of each facility. Requiring the State to provide free rent to only specific child care facilities, as this bill proposes, sets an inappropriate precedent to provide a permanent rent exemption, without the discretion of DGS.

For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger